## \*\*Note: Change of meeting Time AND Change of Location\*\*

Aging & Disability Advisory Committee 1:00 pm Thursday, January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Lower Level Meeting Rooms-Room 2 Government Services Building N3152 State Road 81 Monroe, WI 53586

1. Call to Order. Meeting called to order at 1:00 PM

Roll Call: Roll call taken. Members present: John Bernstein, Russ Torkleson, Linda Vetterli, Roy Thomas, Joan Flood, Mike Furgal, Anita Huffman, Carolyn Hillard, Linda Yates, Carol Mixdorf, Belinda Curless, Cindy Klein

Members Absent: Sandy Horn, Marilyn Bartelt

Others present: Amber Russell, Morgan Kennison, Laura Steiner, Linda Gallagher

- 2. Approval of October minutes: Motioned by John Bernstein, seconded by Sandy Horn. All ayes. Motion carried.
- 3. ADRC of Southwest Regional Board Report: Met on 12/6/18 at Green County Human Services. Tour of new building was given. Survey results show transportation advertising is needed throughout the region. Aging Advocacy Day is on 5/14/19 and WAAN will focus on caregiver tax credit, Dementia Care Specialist statewide, Healthy Aging, funds for transportation and awareness of social isolation.
- 4. 2018 Medicare Part D Review: Linda Gallagher presented 2018 Medicare Part D Open Enrollment statistics. Preparation started in summer with printing of worksheet and informational letter. Linda assisted with 228 Medicare Part D applications reviews via mail and phone. One drug company caused lots of confusion and problems to consumers. The state is involved and the insurance plan must fix issues or they will not be an option for Wisconsin residents anymore.

Wisconsin Senior Care: Wisconsin is one of few states to have a statewide prescription plan. State has waiver from federal government till end of 2019 and working on a 10-year waiver to continue Senior Care.

- 5. 2019 Prevention Programs: Laura presented her schedule of prevention programs for 2019. She is looking for volunteers to help co-lead the classes. The trainings are 3-4 days and held throughout the state. The ADRC will pay all expenses related to the training. The Sip N' Swipe class that is being held in January and February added additional class due to large interest in class.
- 6. Aging Programs Coordinator Report
  - a. Nutrition Program Updates: Morgan discussed issues affecting the nutrition program at the New Glarus Nursing Home Site. The nursing home has had a lot of staff turnover in the kitchen and administration, which has caused incomplete paperwork completed by New Glarus staff. ADRC staff have condensed the paperwork needed and provided training to both kitchen staff and fiscal staff but inaccurate and incomplete paperwork is still occurring. Morgan has stated concern about the future of the site being held at New Glarus Nursing Home and discussed possible voucher and restaurant ideas in the New Glarus area.
  - b. Transportation Updates: Morgan discussed the volunteer driver program and the recent changes from the county. Previously, the county did not provide volunteers with 1099 for their

taxes. They started tracking in October of 2018 and informed volunteers they would receive one for all of 2018's reimbursement and continued into the future each year. Many drivers were upset because there is a large difference of the amount they are reimbursed and the amount that the IRS says is not taxable One volunteer driver resigned due to this as it affected her taxes. Morgan is working with the volunteer drivers and the fiscal department to keep all involved and up-to-date on information regarding this.

## 7. ADRC Supervisor Report

- a. Open House: Open House is scheduled 1/23/19 from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. All departments in agency have agreed to participate. Attendees will get full tour of building and explanation of each unit.
- b. Health & Wellness Day: Used to be called Senior Fun Fest. In previous events, agencies partnered together to put on but 2019 it will just be the ADRC. Looking at bringing in food truck, entertainment, and different vendors like hearing screening, glasses adjustment, Mary Kay, travel agent. Looking at all aspects of aging, not just assisted livings facilities and home care agencies.
- c. New accounting system update: New system went live on 1/1/19, called MUNIS and help at budget time.
- d. Additional benefits offered: Green County is offering new employee benefits such as dental, vision, short-term disability, long-term disability, and other life insurance options.
- 8. Advocacy Issues/Updates: Advocacy Brief handout provided by WAAN regarding new governor and lieutenant governor. The handout encourages people to check any local legislation changes. Discussion regarding the current government shutdown. The Health and Human Services was approved for ¾ of the funding year so it won't affect funding sources like ADRC, OAA, Medicare, Medicaid. FoodShare benefits are available through the end of February but date is continually changing.
- 9. Other Business: ADRC has purchased children's books focused around dementia and how to help kids interact with those with dementia or memory loss. "It's Nice to Meet you Again." and "What Happened to Grandpa?" Books available for consumers who may need them. Looking at possiblity giving them to facilities and schools. Memory Café will solely run by Linda Vetterli. Evening caregiver support group has continued to grow and looking at spring of 2019 to market and start a daytime support group.
  - Green County Mental Health Team-Working towards having a mental health navigator. The Regional ADRC working on collaborative partnership towards mental health and focus on community and relationship building. A Powerful Community workshop will be held in February.
- 10. Next Meeting: Next meeting will be February 14th, 2019 at 1:00 PM.
- 11. Adjourn- Carol Mixdor made a motion to adjourn. Belinda Curless second. All ayes. Motion carried.